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STATUS REPORT ON COVERT ACTIONS IN VIETNAM (Keyed to 28 November Report)

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a. through b.: No significant change.

• Para-Military/Intelligence Operations Against Viet Cong

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Enemy elements set off the mines a short time later killing and wounding an unknown number of their own personnel. The CLAS unit sent a platoon into the mined target area, which platoon later returned safely to the CLAS base area. (Details of the mining of the main trail are not yet available.)

d. Central Intelligence Organization:

Four Central Intelligence Organization officers have been assigned for training and on-the-job exercises in prisoner interrogation at the national level.

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Two additional provincial NPSS headquarter areas have been surveyed by the surveying team. A total of 12 provincial headquarters have been surveyed to date.

- e. through i.: No significant change.
- 2. through 6.: No significant change.

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Other Activities: 7.

The Catholic youth in Sa Keo, Ba Xuyen Province, carried out the following activities:

- 14 March, killed four and captured one Viet Cong;
- 19 March, killed five Viet Cong; and
- 23 March, killed eight Viet Cong. c.

One department leader and one radio operator were included in the above Viet Cong killed, and various documents were also captured.

United States Air Force C-123 and U.S. Army H-21 helicopters delivered 100 M-1 rifles, 198 carbines, 1000 M-3-6 grenades, 56 tear-gas grenades, and 140 steel helmets to Father Hoa's Binh Hung village. Fifty (50) 9mm pistols, 300 Thompson SMG's and two swamp boats were delivered to Camau for early transshipment to Binh Hung village.

The Government of Vietnam has appointed a new Chief of the Directorate of Social Action in the mountain areas. This appointment will cause a short interruption in current programs and proposed expansion until the new chief is briefed on the activities to be carried out in these areas.

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(This committee was established

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because of the confusion generated by press releases from different government departments relating to the palace bombing of 27 February 1962.)

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